

to the people of Wisconsin and the country who are caught in the political cross-fires of Washington, D.C. And it does nothing to help our economy or create jobs—in fact, just the opposite; it will be shrinking the economy between now and September 30.

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The people of this country deserve a comprehensive national budget. I don't know why we can't get the Republicans to appoint conferees so we can have that budget. But until they do, we're going to continue to have the squabbles that you find all too often in Congress that don't address the sequester and don't give this country a roadmap for our finance's budget. Once again, we are likely not to have a national budget.

I would urge my Republican colleagues to appoint the budget conferees immediately so that we can not only pass a budget, but we can replace the sequester cuts for everyone, not just those who are the most well connected.

I would like to talk just briefly in closing about the income gap that we have. There's another way of talking about this chart. When you talked about the bottom 1 percent being an inch to the 5 miles represented by the top 1 percent of the top 1 percent, let me share another statistic that was shared with me.

If you talk about that 1 inch being a football field, the top 1 percent of the top 1 percent is equivalent to 86 football fields. So 1 inch of a football field to 86 football fields. That's the gap in wages that we have with this inequality.

With that, Mr. Speaker, the Progressive Caucus was glad to be able to talk tonight about income inequality.

I yield back the balance of my time.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. ROYCE (at the request of Mr. CANTOR) for today on account of his par-

ticipation in the official visit of President Park Geun-hye of South Korea to Los Angeles County.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 1071. An act to specify the size of the precious-metal blanks that will be used in the production of the National Baseball Hall of Fame commemorative coins.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. POCAN. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 7 o'clock and 2 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, May 9, 2013, at 9 a.m.

EXPENDITURE REPORTS CONCERNING OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL

Reports concerning the foreign currencies and U.S. dollars utilized for Official Foreign Travel during the first quarter of 2013 pursuant to Public Law 95-384 are as follows:

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JAN. 1 AND MAR. 31, 2013.

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Paul Terry	1/10	1/15	Germany		1,363.59						1,363.59
	1/15	1/17	Sweden		845.24						845.24
	1/17	1/19	United Kingdom		1,013.14						1,013.14
	1/19		United States		8.60						8.60
Commercial Airfare							5,298.78				5,298.78
Miscellaneous Transportation Costs							154.14				154.14
Hon. Jack Kingston	1/25	1/26	Israel		498.00		(³)				498.00
	1/26	1/27	Bangladesh		294.94		(³)				294.94
	1/27	2/2	India		1,982.19		(³)				1,982.19
	2/2	2/3	Portugal		278.00		(³)				278.00
Miscellaneous Embassy Costs							(³)		4,322.12		4,322.12
Hon. Adam B. Schiff	1/25	1/26	Israel		498.00		(³)				498.00
	1/26	1/27	Bangladesh		294.94		(³)				294.94
	1/27	2/2	India		1,954.48		(³)				1,954.48
	2/2	2/3	Portugal		264.00		(³)				264.00
Miscellaneous Embassy Costs									4,322.12		4,322.12
John Bartrum	1/25	1/26	Israel		498.00		(³)				498.00
	1/26	1/27	Bangladesh		294.94		(³)				294.94
	1/27	2/2	India		1,954.48		(³)				1,954.48
	2/2	2/3	Portugal		264.00		(³)				264.00
Miscellaneous Delegation Costs									4,322.12		4,322.12
Tom O'Brien	1/25	1/26	Israel		498.00		(³)				498.00
	1/26	1/27	Bangladesh		294.00		(³)				294.00
	1/27	2/2	India		1,954.48		(³)				1,954.48
	2/2	2/3	Portugal		264.00		(³)				264.00
Miscellaneous Delegation Costs									4,322.12		4,322.12
Betsy Bina	1/25	1/26	Israel		498.00		(³)				498.00
	1/26	1/27	Bangladesh		294.94		(³)				294.94
	1/27	2/2	India		1,954.48		(³)				1,954.48
	2/2	2/3	Portugal		264.00		(³)				264.00
Miscellaneous Delegation Costs									4,322.12		4,322.12
Hon. Jo Bonner	2/21	2/23	Philippines		474.00		(³)				474.00
Miscellaneous Delegation Expenses									28.35		28.35
Hon. Frank Wolf		2/17	United States								
	2/18	2/20	Lebanon		84.00						84.00
	2/20	2/22	Egypt		184.00						184.00
	2/22		United States								
Return of Unused Per Diem					-151.00						-151.00
Commercial Airfare							9,123.00				9,123.00
Committee total					18,920.35		14,575.92		21,638.95		55,135.22

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.

² If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

³ Military air transportation.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND COMMERCE, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JAN. 1 AND MAR. 31, 2013

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	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Hon. Ed Whitfield	1/25	1/26	Israel		498.00		(³)		1,724.08		2,222.08
	1/26	1/27	Bangladesh		294.93		(³)		224.03		518.96
	1/27	2/02	India		1,954.48		(³)		1,904.26		3,858.74
	2/02	2/03	Portugal		278.00		(³)		469.75		747.75
Committee total					3,025.41				4,322.12		7,347.53

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.² If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JAN. 1 AND MAR. 31, 2013

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Kevin Fitzpatrick	3/23	3/25	Cambodia		424.00		16,754.00		⁴ 288.52		17,466.52
	3/25	3/28	Vietnam		967.00				⁴ 70.49		1,037.49
Priscilla Koepke	3/23	3/25	Cambodia		419.00		16,754.00				17,173.00
	3/25	3/28	Vietnam		964.00						964.00
Hon. Edward R. Royce	1/25	1/26	Japan		361.00		(³)				361.00
	1/26	1/28	Taiwan		426.00		(³)				426.00
	1/28	1/30	Philippines		300.00		(³)		⁴ 5,156.10		5,456.10
	1/30	2/1	China		458.00		(³)				458.00
Hon. Eliot Engel	2/1	2/2	South Korea		316.00		(³)				316.00
	1/25	1/26	Japan		416.00		(³)				416.00
	1/26	1/28	Taiwan		556.00		(³)				556.00
	1/28	1/30	Philippines		490.00		(³)				490.00
Hon. Matt Salmon	1/30	2/1	China		538.00		(³)				538.00
	2/1	2/2	South Korea		330.00		(³)				330.00
	1/25	1/26	Japan		436.00		(³)				436.00
	1/26	1/28	Taiwan		576.00		(³)				576.00
Hon. Tom Marino	1/28	1/30	Philippines		510.00		(³)				510.00
	1/30	2/1	China		558.00		(³)				558.00
	2/1	2/2	South Korea		350.00		(³)				350.00
	1/25	1/26	Japan		436.00		(³)				436.00
Hon. Gregory Meeks	1/26	1/28	Taiwan		576.00		(³)				576.00
	1/28	1/30	Philippines		510.00		(³)				510.00
	1/30	2/1	China		558.00		(³)				558.00
	2/1	2/2	South Korea		350.00		(³)				350.00
Nien Su	1/25	1/26	Japan		436.00		(³)				436.00
	1/26	1/28	Taiwan		576.00		(³)				576.00
	1/28	1/30	Philippines		510.00		(³)				510.00
	1/30	2/1	China		558.00		(³)				558.00
Melissa Medina	2/1	2/2	South Korea		350.00		(³)				350.00
	1/25	1/26	Japan		436.00		(³)				436.00
	1/26	1/28	Taiwan		576.00		(³)				576.00
	1/28	1/30	Philippines		510.00		(³)				510.00
Elizabeth Heng	1/30	2/1	China		558.00		(³)				558.00
	2/1	2/2	South Korea		350.00		(³)				350.00
	1/25	1/26	Japan		436.00		(³)				436.00
	1/26	1/28	Taiwan		576.00		(³)				576.00
JJ Ong	1/28	1/30	Philippines		490.00		(³)				490.00
	1/30	2/1	China		523.00		(³)				523.00
	2/1	2/2	South Korea		302.00		(³)				302.00
	1/25	1/26	Japan		436.00		(³)				436.00
Gregory Simpkins	1/26	1/28	Taiwan		576.00		(³)				576.00
	1/28	1/30	Philippines		510.00		(³)				510.00
	1/30	2/1	China		558.00		(³)				558.00
	2/1	2/2	South Korea		350.00		(³)				350.00
Hon. Ted Poe	2/16	2/21	Kenya		1,575.00		5,201.02				6,776.02
	2/16	2/21	Kenya		1,575.00		5,236.12				6,811.12
	2/16	2/21	Kenya		1,575.00		4,703.02				6,278.02
	2/16	2/18	France		1,074.00		(³)		⁴ 6,550.00		7,624.00
Hon. Dana Rohrabacher	2/18	2/20	Uzbekistan		502.00		(³)		⁴ 10,747.16		11,249.16
	2/20	2/23	Georgia		898.00		(³)		⁴ 2,242.33		3,140.33
	2/23	2/25	United Kingdom		1,104.00		(³)		⁴ 3,000		4,104.00
	2/16	2/18	France		761.00		(³)				761.00
Hon. Brian Higgins	2/18	2/20	Uzbekistan		376.00		(³)				376.00
	2/20	2/23	Georgia		749.13		(³)				749.13
	2/23	2/25	United Kingdom		868.00		(³)				868.00
	2/16	2/18	France		1,074.00		(³)				1,074.00
Hon. Paul Cook	2/18	2/20	Uzbekistan		498.00		(³)				498.00
	2/20	2/23	Georgia		898.00		(³)				898.00
	2/23	2/25	United Kingdom		1,073.77		(³)				1,073.77
	2/16	2/18	France		1,074.00		(³)				1,074.00
Paul Berkowitz	2/18	2/20	Uzbekistan		502.00		(³)				502.00
	2/20	2/23	Georgia		898.00		(³)				898.00
	2/23	2/25	United Kingdom		1,104.00		(³)				1,104.00
	2/16	2/18	France		1,074.00		(³)				1,074.00
Jesper Pedersen	2/18	2/20	Uzbekistan		498.00		(³)				498.00
	2/20	2/23	Georgia		898.00		(³)				898.00
	2/23	2/25	United Kingdom		1,104.00		(³)				1,104.00
	2/16	2/18	France		1,074.00		(³)				1,074.00
Hon. Albio Sires	2/18	2/20	Uzbekistan		458.00		(³)				458.00
	2/20	2/23	Georgia		873.00		(³)				873.00
	2/23	2/25	United Kingdom		1,104.00		(³)				1,104.00
	2/17	2/19	South Korea		470.00		13,537.00		⁴ 1,235.64		15,242.64
Hon. Ted Poe	2/19	2/21	Vietnam		376.00				⁴ 568.62		944.62
	2/21	2/22	Cambodia		227.00				⁴ 459.78		686.78
	1/24	1/26	Germany		340.16		(³)				340.16
	1/26	1/28	Israel		704.35		(³)				704.35
Hon. Ted Deutch	1/28	1/30	Turkey		402.28		(³)				402.28
	1/30	1/31	Italy		139.00		(³)				139.00
	2/1	2/3	Germany		1,359.74		(³)				1,359.74
	1/31	2/3	Germany		1,054.44		(³)				1,054.44
Hon. Tom Cotton	2/18	2/19	Senegal		167.09		(³)				167.09
	2/18	2/18	Mali				(³)				
	2/19	2/22	South Africa		1,538.81		(³)				1,538.81

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JAN. 1 AND MAR. 31, 2013—Continued

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	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Eric Williams	2/22	2/24	Democratic Republic of the Congo		396.00		(³)				396.00
	2/24	2/25	Morocco		171.43		(³)				171.43
	2/18	2/19	Senegal		167.09		(³)				167.09
	2/18	2/18	Mali				(³)				
	2/19	2/22	South Africa		1,538.81		(³)				1,538.81
	2/22	2/24	Democratic Republic of the Congo		396.00		(³)				396.00
	2/24	2/25	Morocco		171.43		(³)				171.43
Committee total					56,511.53		65,201.16		30,318.64		152,031.33

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.² If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.³ Military air transportation.⁴ Delegation costs.

HON. EDWARD R. ROYCE, Chairman, Apr. 30, 2013.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JAN. 1 AND MAR. 31, 2013

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Hon. Jeff Miller	2/21	2/22	Philippines	474.00	(³)						474.00
Hon. Gus Bilirakis	2/21	2/22	Philippines	474.00							474.00
Hon. Michael Michaud	2/21	2/22	Philippines	474.00							474.00
Hon. Timothy Walz	2/21	2/22	Philippines	474.00							474.00
Helen Tolar	2/21	2/22	Philippines	474.00							474.00
Jian Iza Zapata	2/21	2/22	Philippines	474.00							474.00
Committee totals					2,844						2,844.00

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.² If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.³ Military air transportation.

HON. JEFF MILLER, Chairman, Apr. 18, 2013.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, PERMANENT SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JAN. 1 AND MAR. 31, 2013

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Darren Dick	1/08	1/16	Asia		224.00		(³)				224.00
Chelsey Campbell	1/08	1/16	Asia		224.00		(³)				224.00
Hon. Mike Rogers	2/01	2/01	Africa		280.91						
	2/01	2/03	Europe		1,763.12		(³)				2,044.03
Hon. Mike Thompson	2/16	2/19	Middle East		1,494.00						
Commercial Air							9,321.87				10,815.87
Linda Cohen	2/16	2/19	Middle East		1,494.00						
Commercial Air							8,656.87				10,150.87
"In accordance with title 22, United States Code, Section 1754(b)(2), information as would identify the foreign countries in which Committee Members and staff have traveled is omitted."											
Committee total					5,480.03		17,978.74				23,458.77

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HON. MIKE ROGERS of Michigan, Chairman, Apr. 30, 2013.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

1411. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's annual report for 2012 on Voting Practices in the United Nations; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1412. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting Transmittal of D.C. ACT 19-632, "Local Budget Autonomy Amendment Act of 2012"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1413. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes [Docket No: FAA-2012-0413; Directorate Identifier 2011-NM-257-AD; Amendment 39-17441; AD 2013-08-23] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received May 2, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C.

801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1414. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company [Docket No.: FAA-2012-0000; Directorate Identifier 2007-NM-271-AD; Amendment 39-17425; AD 2013-08-08] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received May 2, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1415. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Bell Helicopter Textron Canada (Bell) Helicopters [Docket No.: FAA-2012-1127; Directorate Identifier 2010-SW-035-AD; Amendment 39-17423; AD 2013-08-06] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received May 2, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1416. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Air-

worthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2012-1105; Directorate Identifier 2012-NM-137-AD; Amendment 39-17406; AD 2013-07-02] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received May 2, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1417. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter France Helicopters [Docket No.: FAA-2012-0630; Directorate Identifier 2011-SW-010-AD; Amendment 39-17409; AD 2013-07-05] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received May 2, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1418. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2012-0809; Directorate Identifier 2011-NM-135-AD; Amendment 39-17361; AD 2013-04-04] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received May 2, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C.